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It is accordingly requested that the Information Disclosure Statement be officially entered in the file of this case and that appropriate notification be made that it was considered in the prosecution of the case.

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